



CITIZEN'S POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CPOC)

Tuesday, September 19, 2017

7:30 p.m.

Room 102, Village Hall

Minutes

Present: **CPOC:** Chair Kevin Ochalla, James Downing, Tanya Ford, Josh Luttig, John Nowicki, Bob Pickrell
Police Department: Police Chief Ambrose, Deputy Chief Limon, Commander Reynolds
Village Staff: Director of Human Resources, Assistant Village Manager Julia Scott-Valdez, HR Generalist Sue Kornatowski

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m.

Roll Call was taken.

There was a motion to approve the August 15, 2017 minutes. The motion to approve minutes was proposed by Committee Member Downing, seconded by Committee Member Pickrell. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Director Scott-Valdez distributed a copy of the revised CPOC ordinance and reviewed the changes made to the ordinance with the committee. There were a few questions by committee members on various sections which will be updated by Director Scott-Valdez. The committee agreed to one more run through and the document was tabled until the October meeting.

Director Scott-Valdez presented the 2018 workplan to the committee. There were no questions. There was a motion to adopt the 2018 workplan by Committee Member Downing seconded by Committee Member Nowicki. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The 2018 workplan was approved unanimously.

Chief Ambrose gave an update on personnel. He announced that Commander LaDon Reynolds has been promoted to Deputy Police Chief. The swearing in event is scheduled for September 25 at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers. He also announced that the three Oak Park officers who recently graduated from the academy included the valedictorian and the number one in physical fitness. Committee Member Downing and Chair Ochalla encouraged making this information public as a way to build morale and it is also important to the community. Chief Ambrose announced that Taser training will be held next week. Chief Ambrose emphasized that the officers are trained for de-escalation and to take appropriate steps before using a Taser.

Commander Reynolds discussed the Police Law Institute which is an online portal to officer law procedural justice to help remain compliant with new laws. Chief Ambrose stated that each officer takes a test and the training occurs every three years but Oak Park will offer it every year. Some of the training includes use of force, communication skills and incorporating in-service training.

Chief Ambrose announced that Officer Kevin Collins developed a bracelet for children and adults with special needs and for those that are in crisis that have been equipped with a chip. Channel five wants to do a story on Officer Collins.

There was a motion by Committee Member Luttig seconded by Committee Member Pickrell to go into Executive Session. Ayes: All, Nays: None. The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 8:20 p.m.

There was a motion to adjourn by Commissioner Downing, seconded by Commissioner Luttig to adjourn.

The CPOC meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.